Town of Lincoln

Budget Board Meeting

September 30, 2004

Present: Absent:

Ken Booth Dave Hartley

Joe Dziobek Roberta Gosselin

Bob Ericson Cheryl Ethier

Claudette Lussier

Mary Varr

Linda Noble

John Sheehan and Ted Sullivan have resigned with no replacement in position yet.

Therefore, with 9 Budget Board members on the roster, 5 members would be quorum.

Meeting began at 7:50 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of July 27 (by Claudette Lussier) and August 5 were distributed for review.

Bob Ericson made a motion to accept the minutes of July 27. Mary Varr seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted by a vote of 5-0 with Joe Dziobek abstaining because he was not present on July 27.

Claudette Lussier made a motion to accept the minutes of August 5.

Bob Ericson seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted by a vote of 5-0 with Joe Dziobek abstaining because he was not present on August 5.

In correspondence, a letter received regarding the facilities study for Town Hall and the Police Station was discussed.

The facilities study was supposed to be for 5 buildings but ended after 2, apparently due to a lack of funds.

The Budget Board discussed the improvements needed as per the facilities study and the possibility of sending them to bond in the November elections.

A new location for the police station, as is suggested by the study, would free up some space in the Town Hall.

Joe Dziobek noted that as well as updates on the side currently used by the police station, the bond may need to include the expenses to make it into office space.

In school subcommittee correspondence, Joe Dziobek had heard that \$147,000 was cut from school supplies and that some teachers began the school year without supplies or even textbooks.

The School Subcommittee will talk to Lori Miller to get a better explanation of what was cut by the schools' decisions and what money got allocated to different places.

Also, Joe Dziobek would like to take Angelo from Maintenance around on a similar tour as was conducted during the budget process

to find out what improvements were done that were budgeted and what has not been done yet.

There will be a Budget Board meeting on October 14 at 7:30.

Ken Booth called the Town Council President and asked what progress had been made with the Management Audit. The Council President stated that he would check with Steve Woerner, Finance Director, and get more information before getting back to the Budget Board with the answer.

The Budget Board discussed the replacement of the Town Hall roof and that it is a project that should have been done during the summer when the weather was more favorable and the money was allocated from the Financial Town Meeting.

The Budget Board meeting calendar was not discussed because there were not enough members present to decide meeting dates.

The open positions on the Budget Board were discussed.

For the position left open by Ted Sullivan, Carl Brunetti is a candidate.

For the position left open by John Sheehan, Pat Ianelli and Ron Albert are candidates.

It will be up to the Town Moderator, Joe Dziobek, to fill the positions.

Linda Noble noted that although Cheryl Ethier was not present, she had spoken with her and was concerned that information from the schools was not being given to the School Subcommittee even though it had been promised several times.

Linda suggested having a meeting between the School Subcommittee and Lori Miller to discuss the providing of information, especially in the upcoming budget season.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Dziobek, second by Mary Varr. Meeting adjourned at 9:10.